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California Integrated Waste Management Board 1001 I Street PO Box 4025 Sacramento, CA 95

RE: Request for Approval of Regional Agency Formation

Calaveras County and the City Angels Camp have had a joint exercise of powers (JPA) in place since 1975. Under the terms of the JPA, the County has been the agent authorized to provide, operate, and maintain a solid waste management system for use by all residents of Calaveras County. In this capacity, the County has assumed responsibility for many aspects of AB939 compliance, including program development, administration, implementation and reporting for both unincorporated County and the City of Angels Camp.

Public Resources Code (PRC) provides for the formation of a regional agency "in order to reduce the cost of reporting and tracking of disposal and diversion programs by individual cities and counties. . . . " Currently, the County tracks and reports all disposal and diversion from both jurisdictions separately. This is a complicated task when tracking quantities for curbside haulers who service multiple jurisdictions. In addition, the County must file a separate annual report for each jurisdiction. Accordingly, the Waste Board monitors program implementation and calculates separate diversion rates for each jurisdiction. Because the County operates a "countywide" solid waste system, this accounting between the two jurisdictions is unnecessarily labor intensive.

On September 15, 2003, the JPA was amended to form a Regional Agency consisting of the City of Angels Camp and the County of Calaveras and includes the following conditions as prescribed by Statute:

- 1. Apportionment of civil liability;
- 2. Conditions of dissolution with regard to AB939 compliance;
- 3. Description of duties and responsibilities with regard to AB939 compliance; and
- 4. Description of AB939 compliance programs to be implemented by regional agency.

The amended JPA and approving resolutions are attached for review and approval.



PRC §40975 states, "Any agreement forming a regional agency shall be submitted to the board for review and approval at the time the regional agency integrated waste management plan is submitted to the board for review and approval." A single Source Reduction and Recycling Element (SRRE) was prepared for both the City and the County in 1991 and supplemented in 1994. It is proposed that the existing SRRE, along with the other documents making up the CIWMP, be used as the RAIWMP.

It should be noted that Unincorporated Calaveras County and the City of Angels Camp were granted a 1066 time extension and reduced diversion goal, respectively. All of the conditions of Angels Camp's 1066 plan are also part of the County's 1066 plan. Therefore, assumption of these responsibilities by the newly-formed regional agency would also streamline the 1066 update process.

In light of the benefits anticipated by forming a regional agency, the Department of Public Works, on behalf of the County of Calaveras and City of Angels Camp, respectfully requests the Waste Board approve the attached JPA and designate Calaveras County as a Regional Agency.

Sincerely

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